AP CHEM On-boarding and Summer work.

Welcome to AP CHEM! It will be one of the hardest and most rewarding classes that you will have ever taken. Clearly, the only AP course that is still taught at the college level and that is why it is the most accepted AP for credits. Even Ivy League schools will grant up to 12 Chemistry credits (i.e. 2 semesters of chemistry lectures and 2 semesters of chemistry labs) for students that score a 5. Many B-tier schools will grant you 12 credits for simply getting a 3.

While the summer quiz is only due on August 18th, the following steps must be done ASAP.

- **APCHEM 2526** WhatsApp community
- 1) Sign in for the What'sApp Community

 Sign up for the Instagram page @tncaapchem. For privacy purposes @tncaapchem will never follow you back. Only current and former AP CHEM students from True North are allowed to follow @tncaapchem Join for the AP CHEM Summer Google Classroom at <u>https://classroom.google.com/c/Njk5OTAzMTUyNjk5?cjc=lyuu7cvk</u>

Information about the summer package, the summer quiz and the summer bootcamp are posted on that Google Classroom. I will offer an AP CHEM full-day Bootcamp from July 28th to August 1st. During the bootcamp, we will go through the whole review package that is due as summer work so bootcamp attendants will not need to do the summer packet at home and will just need to do the <u>summer quiz</u>.

- 4) Please fill in the Getting to know you <u>questionnaire</u>.
- 5) Later in June, I will post on the AP CHEM summer Google classroom information to sign up for the online version of the AP CHEM book and for the AP Classroom, as well as a few videos about lab safety, basic chemistry concepts that are considered mastered before starting AP CHEM, and letters that former students have written for you.
- 6) I think that AP CHEM students should have a secret handshake. Someone should work on that.

Like I told the class last year, I am not going to tell you not to be scared. You should be scared! But I can tell you that I will be with you every step of the way.

Here are testimonies from your predecessors:

"Keep pushing and don't give up. It's worth it in the end."

"Study more and suck up your pride so you can go to office hours. They help a lot."

"Stay consistent with your studying and keep going to office hours!"

"Stick through it. I promise you it is not that bad. Also, delegate your time better."

"At first, I didn't want to take the class, but after each class went by, I enjoyed the class even more and enjoyed learning from you. Thank you so much for everything. Especially the times where we met after school out of your free time to help me understand the material better. I appreciate it all, thank you so much Dr. Galopin."

"Dr. Galopin was such an amazing teacher and I can't thank him enough for all the effort and time he dedicated to us and this course."

"Dr. Galopin is an amazing teacher and helped me so much throughout the year. I am very grateful!!!"